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Pair Plead No Contest in Leimert Park Murder

Two men pleaded no contest today in the fatal shooting of a 25-year-old man in Leimert Park in 2015, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Tyree Davion Woods, 24, of Los Angeles was convicted of one count of first-degree murder with an allegation that he personally used a firearm. Dondre Fitzgerald Williams, 25, of Palmdale pleaded to one count each of shooting at an occupied motor vehicle and assault by means of force likely to inflict great bodily injury.

Woods is expected to be sentenced to 50 years to life in state prison under the terms of the negotiated plea agreement before Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge William N. Sterling. Williams faces a sentence of six years in state prison.

Sentencing is scheduled for May 14 in Department 119 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Deputy District Attorney Craig Kleffman prosecuted case BA439175.

On July 20, 2015, the defendants followed Derron Jones and a woman in their car in the South Los Angeles neighborhood. As Jones attempted to make a U-turn, Woods cut off the victim's vehicle, got out of his car and opened fire.

Jones was struck by the gunfire and taken to a hospital where he died. The woman was uninjured.

Woods and Williams were arrested on Aug. 20, 2015, after a pursuit.

The Los Angeles Police Department's South Bureau Homicide Division investigated the case.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.